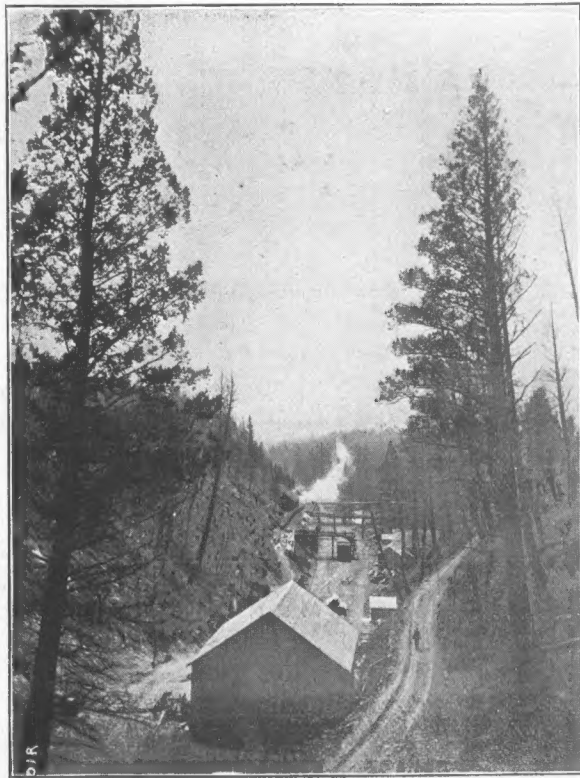


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the previous year, terminated in the acquisition by the company of the Byron Creek coal property, an extremely valuable tract lying to the south of the railroad, and the Bellevue property, situated immediately on the railroad. Considerable prospecting was done on the former property during the year, and the active development of the Bellevue property was commenced. Later



SCENE AT LILLE

the company acquired by purchase the extensive and immensely valuable coal property at Blairmore, known as the Fishburn & Proctor property, and thus were the holdings of the company completed.

In 1904 O. E. S. Whiteside assumed the management of the company and under his guidance its affairs have progressed steadily and Lille has been made a big camp with many handsome buildings, including a superintendent's residence, a fine hotel and many excellent miners' cottages. A tippie has been built at No. 1,, a washer for the coking plant, and many other improvements have been made. At Bellevue, much building has been done, and the plant there now includes, aside from the operating side of it, a fine residence for the managing director, a hotel and twenty miners' cottages.

The particulars of the affairs of the company are as follows:

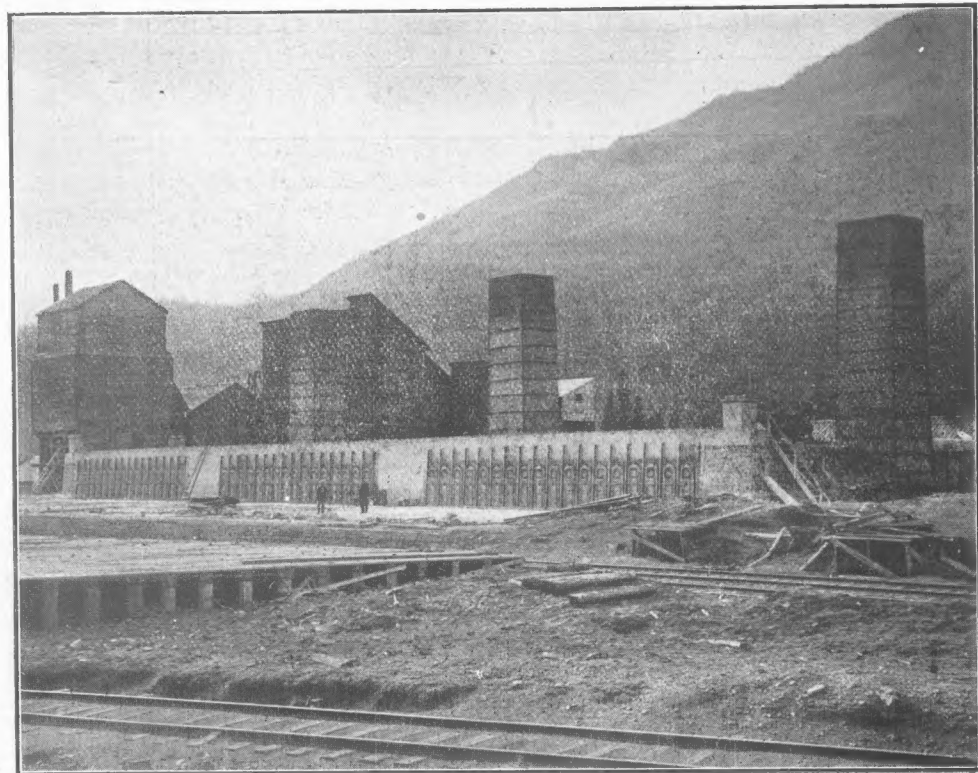
The West Canadian Collieries, Ltd., organized April 2nd, 1903, is capitalized at £720,000 divided into 720,000 shares of £1 each. The address of the registered office is 119 and 120 London Wall, London, E. C., England. The head office is 53 Boulevard de la Liberta, Lille, France. The mines direction office and the residence of the manager are at Blairmore, Alta.

The board of directors is composed of the following named: Alphonse Georges Wicart, president; Francois Lefebvre; Edmond Ory; Baron de la Grange O'Tard; Edouard Callier; Jules Justin Fleutot; Count Henri de Castellane and Eduard Decoster.

The official list also includes Andre Chesquier, Secretary; Jules Justin Fleutot, Managing Director; O. E. S. Whiteside, General Manager.

The company owns 20,000 acres of coal lands situated at various points in the district, the most important being at Lille, Grassy Mountain, Bellevue, Byron Creek and Blairmore.

Lille is situated on Gold Creek about four miles north of Frank and is reached by the Frank and Grassy Mountain railroad, which is owned and op-

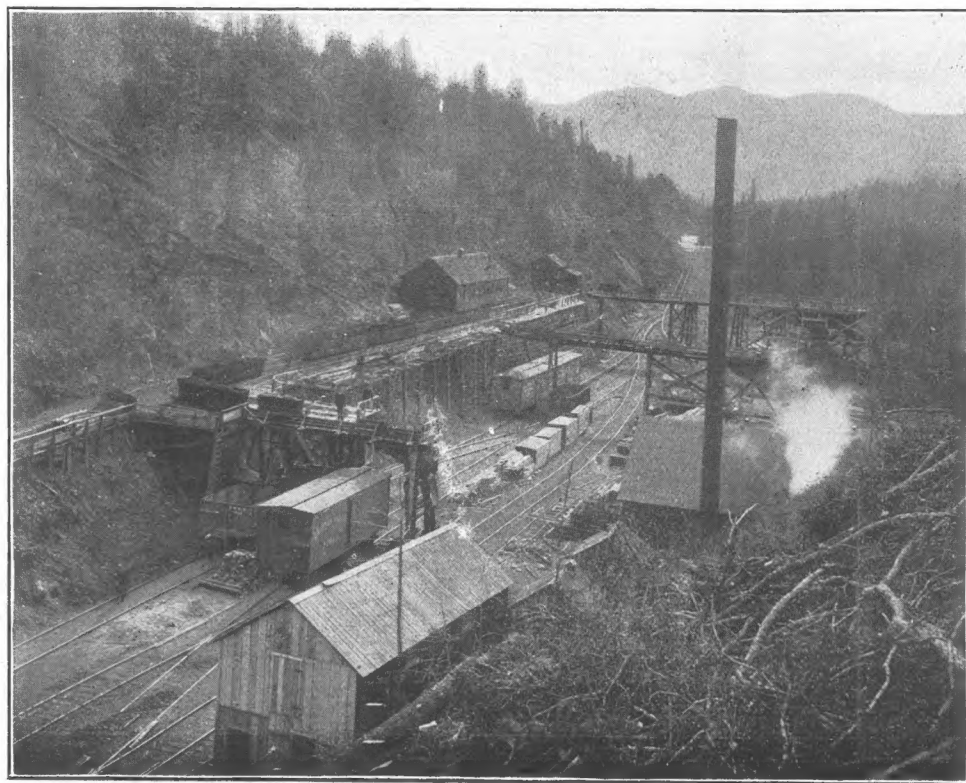


BELGIAN COKE OVENS AT LILLE

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erated by the company. Nos. 1, 2 and 3 mines are operated at Lille, which is the largest producing camp, having an output of about 700 tons a day. The tippie is situated at No. 1 camp and the three mines are all operated by one haulage way by means of a crosscut tunnel cutting the three seams.

The tippie is of modern design and is capable of handling 1,000 tons of coal a shift with the present machinery, which is so arranged as to admit of putting in another picking table, which would greatly increase the handling



LILLE MINE

capacity. The coal all passes over screens and picking tables. The lump being shipped direct, while the slack goes to the coke ovens at Lille. At the coking plant the slack goes into bins, from which it is elevated to the washer, is washed and then passes onto the crusher, from there to the storage bins, and finally to the coke ovens. The washerie, which has but recently been completed, is of the Jig type, Luhrig pattern, and has a capacity of thirty tons an hour. Since its initial installation there has been an addition made by which the refuse can be rewashed. A bin of 250 tons capacity to store the rewashed refuse was built and chutes put up to load this direct to the cars

for movement to the boiler plants. This installation required an addition to the boiler plant of three Robb-return tubular boilers as well as a 350 horsepower Hoppes Live Steam Water Purifier.

At No. 1 mine there has been built a large power plant, consisting of 4-72in. x 18ft Robb return tubular boilers, equipped with shaking grates and two Buffalo forged induced drafted fans to burn the refuse from the washery at Lille. As this refuse runs 60 per cent. in ash, the boiler plant has been specially designed to use this kind of material. These boilers also have a Hoppes live steam purifier and exhaust feed water heater. The building is a stone one and provision has been made for future extension. There has also been installed, a high stage Rand air compressor for operating the compressed air haulage. There is over 4,000 feet of compressed air pipe line, and at present two air locomotives are working. During the last year a slope has been sunk to a lower level, which will give a lift of 500 feet, and a Litchfield hoisting engine installed and just put in operation, so that in the very near future there will be an output from this slope alone of 1,000 tons per day. Due to this development it was necessary to have more air, and a Clifford Capell fan has been installed with a capacity of 150,000 cubic feet of air per minute. These different installations now make the plant installation practically complete and quite up to date, but plans are in readiness for an electric light installation and a low pressure compressor in the new power building, and also the erection of a very complete machine shop.

The coke ovens, which have been in use for some time, are the Bernard type, Belgian ovens, and have a capacity of 150 tons of coke a day. At present the gasses from the ovens are lost, but it is the intention of the company to, in the future, utilize them for the production of power for all purposes for which power is required, both at the coking plant and in the mines for haulage and the operation of the tippie and for electric lighting as well.

A short distance south of No. 1 tunnel a slope is being sunk on the coal from the outcrop, which will largely increase the production at No. 1 camp.

North of Lille, which is situated about midway between No. 1 camp and Grassy Mountain, the most northerly camp, the company operates a sawmill, having a cutting capacity of about 14,000 feet of lumber a day, the logs being obtained from the company's own limits, about half the property in the vicinity being covered with timber of good quality.

At Grassy Mountain, the northern end of the Frank and Grassy Mountain

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railroad, a large amount of work, chiefly of a prospecting nature, has been done, and a number of seams of good coal have been proven. This work is still being carried on and a considerable tonnage could be produced on short notice.

At Bellevue camp the seams debouch immediately upon the track of the Crows Nest Pass branch of the C. P. R., about two miles southeast of Frank. Both the town and the mine are much newer than Lille, and at present the colliery structures are only temporary. Two new Robb-Mumford boilers and an air compressor are being installed, however, and it is expected that a permanent tipple, for which plans have been prepared, will be installed at an early date.

Two seams of coal have been opened by means of a cross-cut tunnel.



MINERS' COTTAGES AT BELLEVUE

They are known as seams 1 and 2, and coal of a good quality is being produced at the rate of 250 tons a day. Systematic surface prospecting has shown up four other seams underlying the seams now being worked. The thickness of the various seams is as follows: No. 1, 12 feet; No. 2, 12 feet; No. 3, 4 1-2 feet; No. 4, 15 feet; No. 5, 4 feet, and No. 6, 3 1-2 feet.

The townsite has been laid out and a large modern hotel built similar to the one at Lille and also owned by Mr. Faure. There has been built sixteen new miners' cottages and a large general store for Messrs. Lang & Burnett. Bellevue has a first class water system to which additions are constantly being

made for the cottages. The mines at present have an output of 800 tons per day which will be increased by some changes being made for increased accommodation in the railway yard. This will easily put the tonnage up to 1,000 tons per day, but the mine inside is in shape to ship double that tonnage as soon as the necessary outside plant is erected. Plans have been prepared for an up to date tipple of 2,000 tons capacity and the necessary power plant and equipment for mechanical haulage which will be installed early next spring.

The Byron Creek property lies about four miles south of Bellevue. Two seams have been opened up by separate drifts and a great deal of surface work has been done, exposing a number of good seams. At present the property is reached by wagon road, but surveys have been completed for a branch line of railroad from the C. P. R. at Bellevue to the mine, and should it be decided to build the road at any time, the Byron Creek property could be made to yield a large output in a short time. There are known to be five seams on the property, all of good thickness, and one shows forty feet of coal, but has a rock parting in the middle.

At Blairmore, where the head office of the company in Alberta is located, the company owns coal lands on both sides of the railroad. The measures cross the valley under the townsite. Much prospecting work has been done, which shows there are at least five seams on the property, all of workable size and good quality of coal. A tunnel driven on the side cuts two seams, one five and the other twelve feet in thickness. Considerable coal has been taken from these seams, and it was found to be of particularly fine quality.

In addition to the properties mentioned in the foregoing, the company owns several other areas of coal lands, notably on the south Fork of Crows Nest river and in the neighborhood of Taillon Peak, but no work has as yet been done on the outlying areas.





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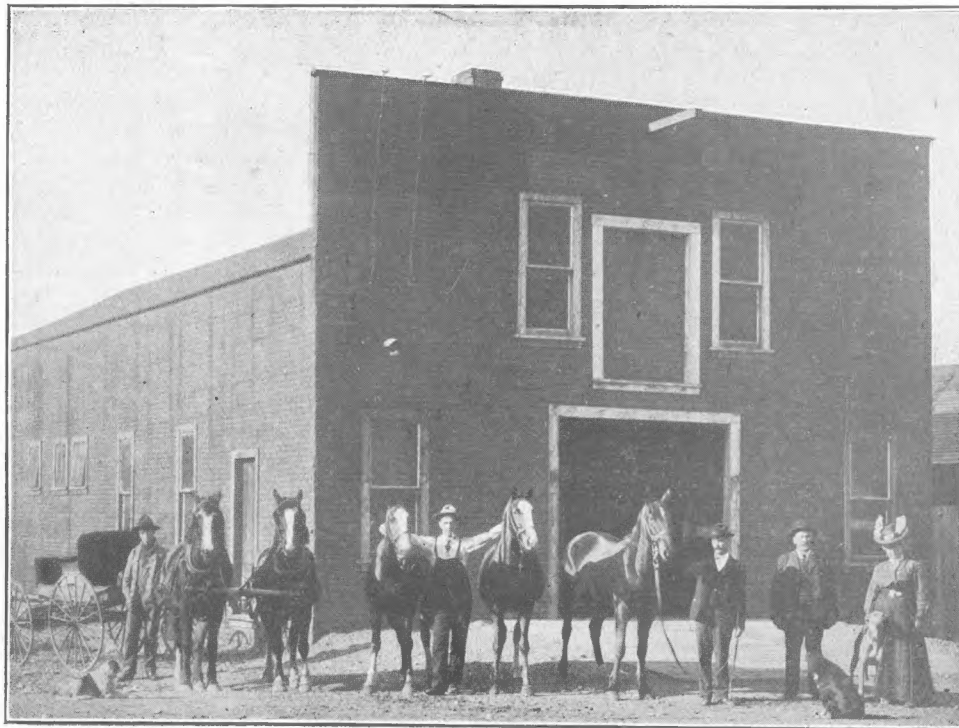
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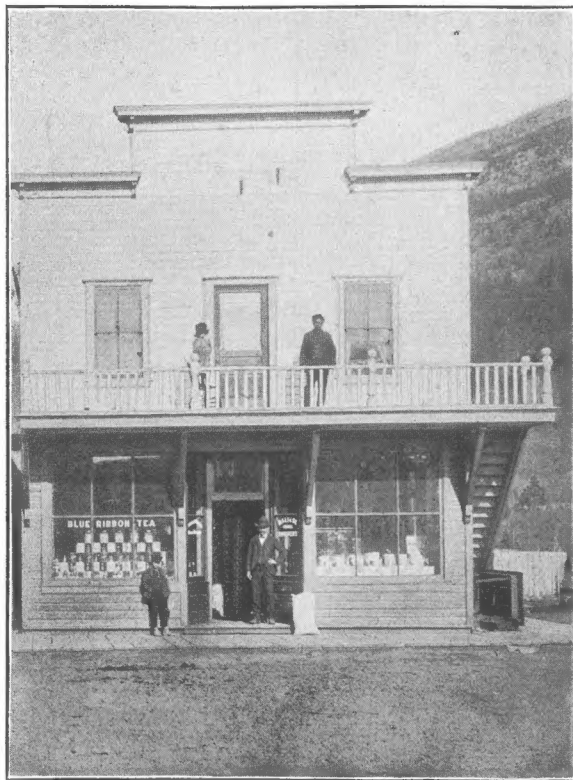


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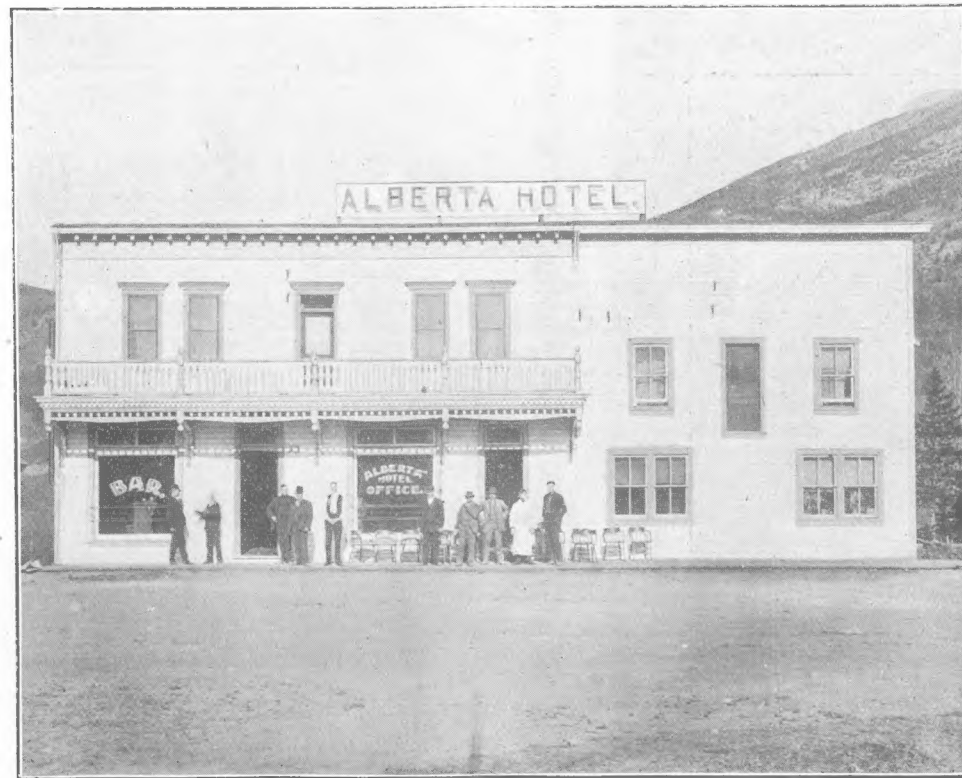
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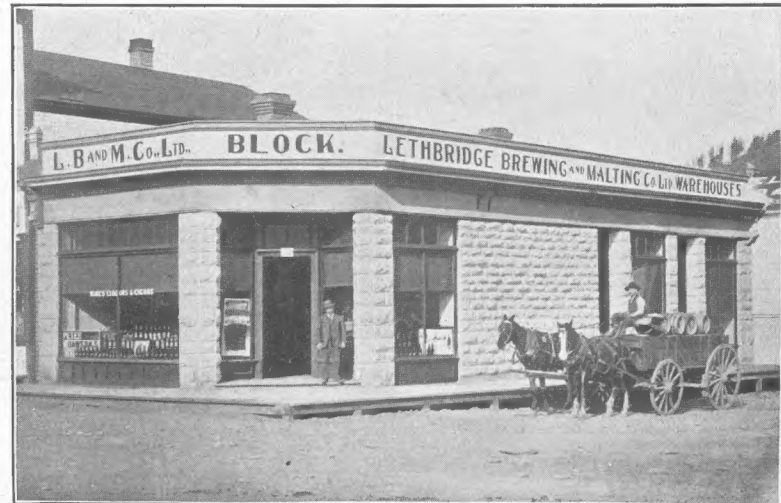
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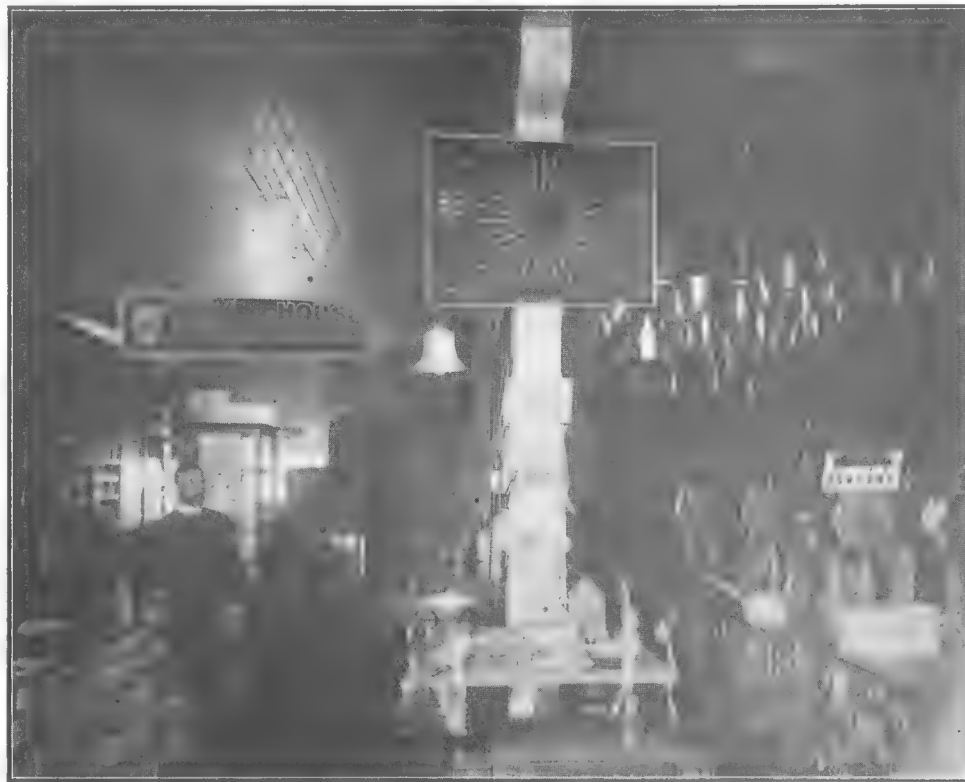
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The Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co., Limited

A PROPERTY that is much in the public eye at present is that of the Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co., Ltd., at Hillcrest mines, in Alberta. This property is situated at the Eastern entrance to the Crow's Nest Pass, on the Crow's Nest railway, and has made rapid strides in the last two years, in point of fact it ranks as the second largest producer east of the Crow's Nest Coal Co., and the development work is of such a character that the output



POWER PLANT AT HILLCREST

will rapidly increase. The present haulage system is limited to about 800 to 1,000 tons per diem, but the mine is capable of producing two or three times this amount, and a compressed air haulage system, which is now being installed, will, when completed bring this production up to the desired point.

Charles Plummer Hill, the founder and promoter of the Hillcrest Co., has been the pioneer prospector and developer of this coal district; and for many years prior to a railroad being built had nursed his discoveries of this coal, and of the Kitchener iron, until in 1900 he interested Senator Carter of Montana, H. L. Frank of Butte, and S.

W. Gebo of Red Lodge, Mont., in what is now known as the Burmiss property, where a shaft was sunk to a depth of 433 feet. During this work, coal was discovered at Blairmore by Joseph Little; the Frank mine was opened by Messrs. Gebo, Frank et al, and C. P. Hill ran the first tunnels at McLaren's camp on the seams now owned by the International Coal & Coke Co. In the following year he ran a cross-cut tunnel on the Blairmore property, and together with Mr. Wilson, of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., explored the Holloway property that is now known as the North West Coal Co., and Alberta Coal Co. He also did considerable work on the South Fork, discovering some good coal there, and purchased and prospected the Wolstenholme property. During this work the question of quality, continuity, quantity, walls and mining advantages were the points he looked for in the coal, and on the coal, and on the 16th day of July, 1902, his stakes were set upon the east half of section 19, after purchasing the rights of George Mills, Mary Heap et al. A complete test of the seams at what is now Hillcrest, was made, and they proved so satisfactory that he purchased additional land, promoted and devel-



INCLINE, TIPPIE AND COAL DUMP AT HILLCREST

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oped the property, and on the 31st day of January, 1905, the Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co. was incorporated under the laws of the Dominion of Canada by letters patent with all the rights and privileges to mine coal, make coke, build and operate railroads, coke ovens, town sites, mills, and all other necessary enterprises, such as mercantile stores, etc., that are usually enjoyed by such incorporated bodies.

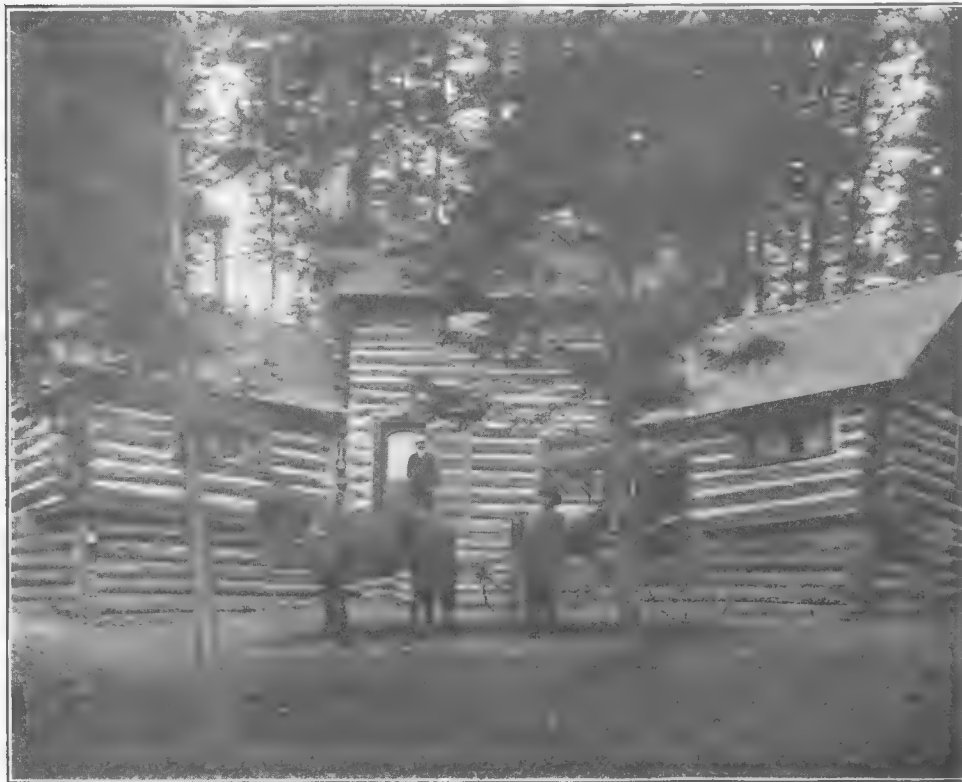
The officers of the company are as follows: President, M. P. Davis, Esq., contractor, Ottawa, Ont.; vice-president, G. W. Fowler, Esq., M. P., Sussex, N. B.; directors, Wm. Farwell, Esq., Pres. E. T. Bank, Sherbrooke, Que.; Gerald V. White, M. P., Pembroke, Ont.; A. A. Lefurgey, Esq., M. P., Summerside, P. E. I.; Geo. Taylor, Esq., M. P., Gananoque, Ont.; C. P. Hill, Esq., Hillcrest, Alta.

Managing director and treasurer: C. P. Hill, Esq., Hillcrest Mines, Alberta; secretary, W. P. Davis, Ottawa, Ont.; accountant, W. N. Rolfe;

solicitors, John Thompson, Esq., Ottawa; Scott & Curle, Ottawa; R. A. Pringle, Esq., M. P., Cornwall, Ont.; bankers: Union Bank of Canada, Frank, Alberta; Northern Trust Company, Winnipeg, Man.

Capitalization (in stock)	\$500,000.00
Bonds	250,000.00
	<u>\$750,000.00</u>

The company has two methods of mining its coal, and in reality has two



GENERAL MANAGER'S RESIDENCE, HILLCREST.



HILLCREST, ALTA.

mines distinctly separate from each other, i. e., tunnel and slope; therefore, if an accident occurs in one, the other keeps up the daily output. The development work is carried on equally in each mine, and the system will be continued until there will be several distinct and separate mines. The company has also two methods for lowering its coal from the tram road to the railroad; one a double track railway and lowering gear system, and one a Jeffrey retarding conveyor.

Hillcrest coal has been on the market since March 20, 1905, and has already won for itself a name second to none. The 14 foot seam is a semi-bituminous, high in fixed carbon, low in ash, free from clinker and extremely strong in its qualifications for generating steam. The demand for this coal is greater than the mine can at present

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supply, and the C. P. R. reserves what they get of Hillcrest coal for their passenger locomotives, which can be run for 1000 miles or more without cleaning the ashpan when this favorite coal is in the firebox.

There are five seams of coal passing through this property for a distance of three miles, and it is estimated by conservative experts that there are 40,000,000 tons above the present working levels, and it would require more than one year with a daily output of 1000 tons to remove the coal now developed. The seams are from 6 to 14 feet in thickness, and lying upon a pitch of 32 degrees, which makes the mining of this coal a gravity proposition; there are no tracks, mules or drivers required for the working of the rooms. By placing in the rooms a simple chute lined with sheet steel, the coal finds its way direct from the miners' picks to the coal cars along the main entry, where they are hauled by steam locomotive to the tippie, half a mile below the main entrance to the tunnel, thence the coal is lowered by a Jeffrey retarding conveyor into the railroad cars upon the company's own railroad which connects with the C. P. R. at Hillcrest Junction.

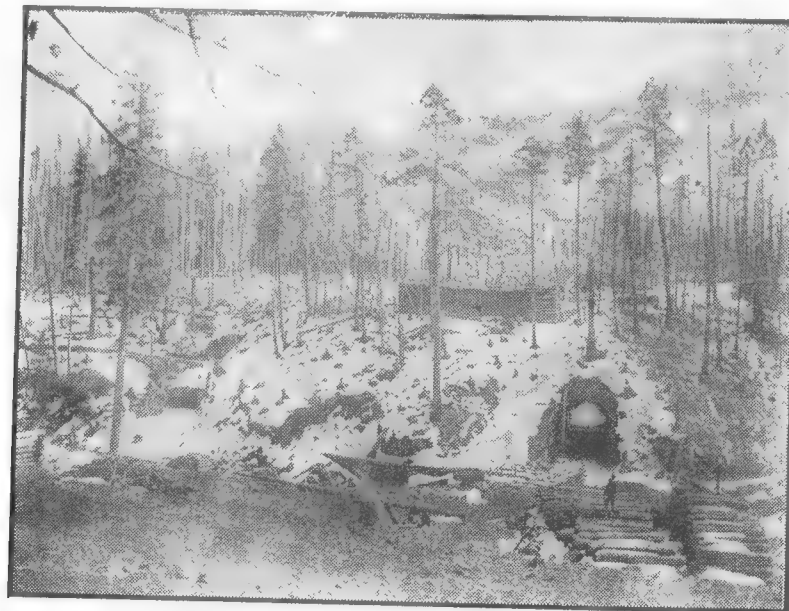
At a point 1400 feet from the mouth of this main tunnel and where there is 800 feet of coal overhead, a cross-cut has been run through the strata, a distance of 112 feet, where a seam 8 feet thick has been opened and drifted upon for considerable distance. The coal in this seam is extremely hard, and nearer to anthracite than any other coal in this section, and it is the intention

of the company to prepare the coal from this seam for domestic use. No. 3 seam is about 7 feet thick, and is a very soft, friable, rich bituminous coking coal. There have been two tunnels run upon this seam of 350 feet each, and it is the intention of the company to use this coal in the making of a high grade smelting coke.

In addition to the mine, plant, railroad, timber limits, water rights, clay



MINE ENTRY AT HILLCREST



MINE ENTRY AT HILLCREST TWO YEARS AGO

rights, etc., the Hillcrest company owns the beautiful townsite of Hillcrest Mines, which is destined in the near future to be the Pittsburgh of Canada. The town was located by the Hillcrest Coal & Coal Co., Ltd., after several years given to careful consideration of the future commercial centre for this country. The far-famed Frank slide produced a condition that separated the miners in the Pass from the ranchers and farmers of the prairie, and changed what would otherwise have been the centre, namely, Blairmore. The site of Hillcrest mines is a beautiful park-like piece of ground lying to the southeast of Crows Nest Pass and to the northeast of Drum Creek Pass. The excessive air currents drawing through these Passes form an eddy at Hillcrest Mines, and thereby produce the most ideal and perfect conditions of climate. From this point the roads that lead to the prairie are upon steady and low grades. The two principal streets in the town are eighty feet wide, while the others are sixty-six feet wide, and the land is fertile and rich. It is the intention of the company to line these streets with maple and elm trees, and to make

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it a home for the miners. Hillcrest mines is situated one mile from the Frank mine, the same distance from the zinc smelter and the Bellevue mine, as also the Maple Leaf Colliery, and three quarters of a mile from the Leitch Colliery, and one-half mile from the Hillcrest mine; it is five miles from the Byron Creek mines, and the latter, in order to reach the level of the C. P. R., must run its railway terminus to Hillcrest. It can plainly be seen that lying as Hillcrest does between these points, and being the most desirable spot in which to live, it will draw very largely upon the payroll from these other industries, and that a lot or a building in the town of Hillcrest will be a paying

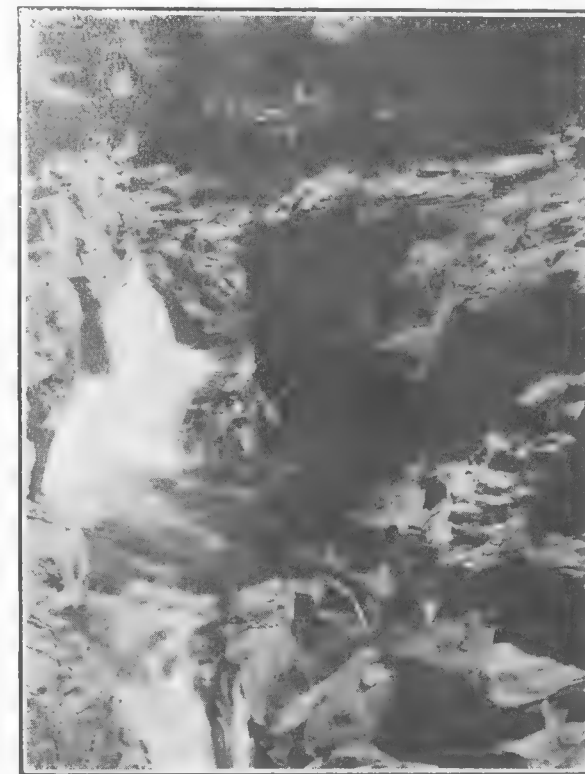
through the town. The fall of the Old Man river affords water power for all manufacturing purposes. The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. has agreed to put in side tracks, railway station, etc. at Hillcrest, and work will be commenced early in the year. There is already a flourishing postoffice in existence, and until the station is built, the mail is carried to and from Frank.

To the energy and executive capacity of C. P. Hill, aided by the president, vice-president and the directors is due the excellent showing the company has made. It has been an arduous and in some respects, a heart-breaking task, for the obstacles that generally obtrude themselves in the path of such undertakings have not been altogether wanting, but they have been overcome and today Hillcrest coal stands at the top of the list for all steam purposes; and there is a rosy brilliant future for the Hillcrest Coal & Coke Co. Ltd., and its attractive, restful town of Hillcrest Mines.



SCENE NEAR HILLCREST

investment; in short, it is the future metropolis for the Crow's Nest Pass, as all farm produce, grain, lumber, coal, and minerals must find their way to this point for shipment. There is undoubtedly a great future for this sunny little town, Hillcrest, in the foothills of Southern Alberta. The waters of Drum Creek flowing down the mountain, afford a supply of the purest water, and in volume, sufficient for every purpose. The townsite is immediately on the C. P. R., and the Great Northern, when it reaches this territory will pass



FALLS NEAR HILLCREST



COLEMAN, ALTA.

The Making and Re-Making of Frank.

BY MARK DRUMM

FRANK had quite a start and was considerable of a town before the place was opened to the public. Coincident with the development of the mine which started early in the year 1901, the promoters made provision for taking care of their employees by erecting twenty-five neat cottages for men with families, and a commodious boarding house for unmarried men. These were completed and in use by the time set for opening the town and putting lots on the market, and in consequence the place had between three and four hundred inhabitants when it became open to the public. A postoffice had been established early in August and the village had been organized and a provisional overseer installed, and the place was therefore in reality as much a town two months before the public was invited to enter as it was thereafter.



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The formal opening occurred the tenth day of September in the year 1901, when the biggest celebration the town has ever seen was held in honor of the occasion. It was a free celebration, the promoters defraying the entire



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expense of providing special trains to bring excursionists from nearby places, etc. A special was run from Lethbridge and another from Cranbrook, a band was provided for the day, a program of sports was arranged for which gold medals were hung up for the winning competitors, meals and refreshments of every kind except spirituous liquors were free and the day closed with a free dance in the evening. There were more than a thousand visitors to the town that day, among them being Premier Haultain and his Minister of Public Works, Mr. Sifton. That was Frank's christening day and it was a spectacular success.



THE FRANK SLIDE

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The next day the first lots were sold and within a few days a large number had been disposed of for business purposes. The price of lots was held at an unusually high figure with the idea that a man buying an expensive lot could not afford to put a shack on it and it is no doubt due to that line of policy that Frank has scarcely a shack to this day.

The building of the business part of the town started on the 15th of October. The late Alex. Leitch built the first store building and opened the first mercantile business. Other buildings were started at once and by the first of the year 1902 Dominion avenue, the main street, was well built up with good store buildings and hotels. Since that time the growth has been gradual but steady.

S. W. Gebo was the first overseer of the town, having been appointed by the government to serve an interium between the time of the establishing of the village and the first election. The election was held early in 1902 and

Mr. Gebo was elected to the office. He served two terms and was then succeeded by J. H. Farmer, who held the office until the new Village Act passed by the Legislature of Alberta was put in force at Frank in December, 1907.

Like so many western towns, Frank's progress was destined to a serious interruption but the calamity that visited Frank was so much more serious and far-reaching in its effects than the drawbacks from fire or other misfortunes other communities have undergone that the wonder is the place survived at all.



DR. MALCOLMSON

There was probably no place in Western Canada that gave the same promise Frank did prior to April 29th, 1903. Just at that time the prospects for rapid growth amounted to little short of a boom. If there was any way of arriving at the facts it would probably be found that the town would have had a population of 2,000 people before that year expired. The building of something like twenty business buildings was planned for the summer of that year, while the number of dwellings contemplated and for which plans were actually prepared, was very large. The prospects were indeed flattering.

Then came the great slide and all was changed. About ten minutes after four o'clock the morning of April 29th, 1903, a great section of Turtle mountain fell away, burying the finest portion of the valley beneath countless millions of tons of rock and ushering into eternity 68 souls.

It was a terrible blow to the town. Besides its most terrible phase, the loss of life, the entire operating plant of the Canadian-American Coal and Coke company was wiped out of existence and the mine entry buried. It became necessary to vacate the town for a period and few were willing to believe that the town could ever recover. That it has is an eloquent testimonial to the fine quality of courage and determination possessed by the coal company and the citizens of the town.

Undaunted the coal company set to work immediately re-opening the mine but the town was depopulated and practically closed for about



FRANK BEFORE THE SLIDE

The foreground is now entirely buried by rock debris.

THE CROW'S NEST PASS ILLUSTRATED

Pioneers of The Pass

MICHAEL PHILLIPS and John Collins were the first white men to travel through the Crow's Nest Pass. On a hunting and trapping expedition in the fall of 1873 they went up the Kootenay from Tobacco Plains, ascended the Elk River and Michel Creek and passed out to the prairie along the buffalo trails which at that time made excellent traveling through the timber.

The first white woman to travel through the Pass was the wife of Inspector Wood, of the N. W. M. P., who came with her husband from Fort Steele to Lethbridge in the fall of 1888.

The first settlement in the Pass was made at Blairmore in 1898. 10th siding was the railway designation of the spot which was shortly changed to The Springs, and on November 15th, when the operating department of the railway took over the line from the contractors, it was officially called Blairmore, after the Hon. A. G. Blair, the then Minister of Railways in the Laurier Government.

The first newspaper published in the Pass proper was made by Matheson Brothers, in Frank, in the fall of 1902, and was known as the Frank Sentinel. After the slide the plant was moved to Blairmore, the name of the publication

being changed to the Blairmore Times. It ceased publication in the spring of 1907.

The first building to be erected in the Pass was a log shack put up by a man named Lee at the Springs. This cabin still stands behind the Sanitarium, a monument to the hospitality of that intrepid pioneer.

Origin of the "Crow's Nest" and "Old Man."

The common legend as the origin of the name "Crow's Nest" is that

the Crows and another tribe, sometimes said to be the Blackfeet, and sometimes the Bloods, were at war, and the Crow's being defeated, retreated up the Pass; that the scouts of the victors sent out to locate them, reported to the tribe that they had found the Crow's nest. This there is every reason to believe, is wholly unfounded. The story of the real origin of the name appears to be this: During the early tribal wars among the Indians one of the chief's had his headquarters in the vicinity of the Crow's Nest Mountain. His fetish or medicine was a crow emblazoned on his tepee, his sleeping place or nest. From this it appears to be reasonably certain the name Crow's Nest sprung.

The Indian lore for

the origin of the Old Man has it that among the superstitions of the Indians was one that an old man of prodigious powers lived on the banks of the stream at a point below the border of the foothills, where the rock formation



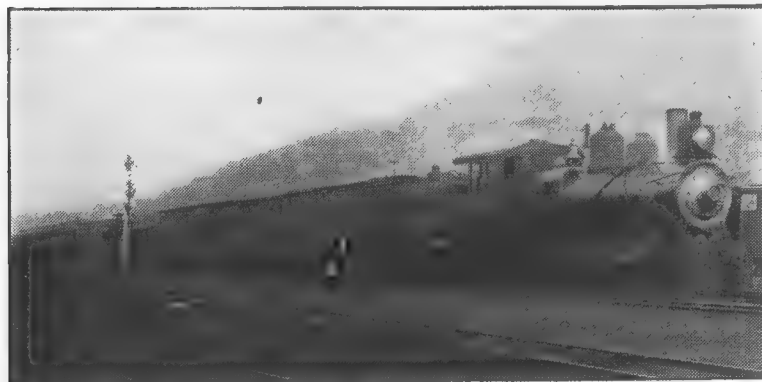
CROW'S NEST MOUNTAIN

THE CROW'S NEST PASS ILLUSTRATED

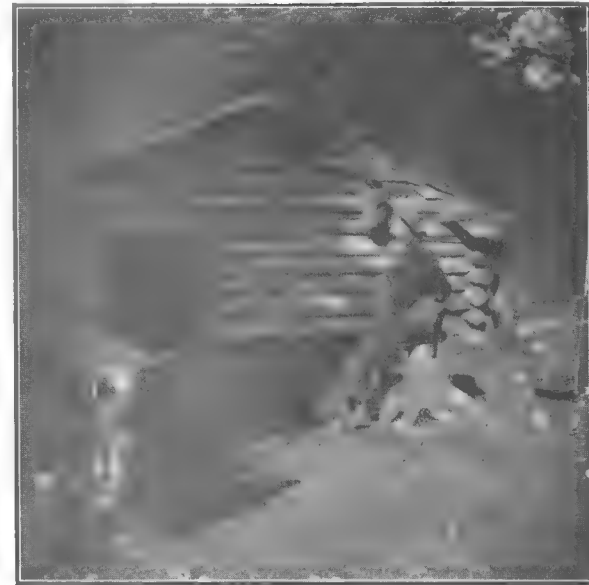
extends across the river, a spot well known to all who have traveled up and down, to and from the prairie. When the elements raged and the thunder the Indians would say. "The old man is rolling the stones across the river," It was their belief that the old man disported himself when in anger, in rolling the rocks across the stream. There is little, in fact, it may be said there is no doubt, that the name Old Man sprung from this bit of mythology.



PACK TRAIN READY FOR THE FLATHEAD



MINE TRAIN READY FOR THE COLLIERIES



CHAS. WEIGERT, "DUTCH CHARLIE"
A pioneer settler of the Upper Flk.



CROW'S NEST LAKE

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The Canadian American Coal & Coke Co.

THE Canadian American Coal & Coke Co., Ltd., was the pioneer in the development of the vast coal wealth of the Pass. It was something less than six years ago that S. W. Gebo came to Alberta seeking a coal property. He commenced work during the year 1900 at Livingston and sunk a shaft there nearly to a depth of 500 feet. It was an expensive business and the seam he was sinking not being the best, he decided to look further. Henry S. Pelletier had started to prospect the Frank seams on the north side of the track and Mr. Gebo came here to investigate. What he saw induced him to take an option on the property held by Mr. Pelletier and others. Instead of proceeding with the work Mr. Pelletier and his associates had started. Mr. Gebo decided to open the seam now being worked on the south side. Accordingly, about the first of the year 1901 he started what is known as the lower tunnel at the site of the present workings of the Canadian-American Coal & Coke Co. He soon satisfied himself that his efforts were being expended in the right direction, and he sent for Mr. Frank. Mr. Frank came, and in March, 1901, first looked upon the landscape where the town bearing his name has since been reared.

Mr. Frank spent some days in his investigation, which resulted in his paying over \$30,000 for the purchase of the ground. Plans for making a coal mine were immediately laid. A log eating house and a board bunk house were the first buildings built on the townsite of Frank. Then a full crew of men was put to work driving the entry with all possible expedition.

At that time the townsite was a wilderness of trees and brush. A force of men was put to work clearing, and in May a contract for the erection of 25 miners' cottages and a large boarding house was let. These buildings were all completed in the summer and in the meantime the upper tunnel was started and was being driven. Early in the year the C. P. R. put in a spur where the Frank station is now situated and the coal made in driving and entries was hauled there by wagon. Thus the first coal mined in the Pass went to the market, being taken by the C. P. R. for steaming. During the same months, a spur from the main track to the mine was built, a temporary tipple was erected and in the early summer the loading of coal direct from the entry to the cars was commenced.



TIPPLE AND CAR HAULAGE

In November, 1901, the Canadian-American Coal & Coke Co., Ltd., was organized with A. L. Frank, president; S. W. Gebo, vice president and general manager, and Mark Drumm, secretary-treasurer. The first board of directors was composed of the above named and Lou Frank and Geo. H. Casey. The company was capitalized at \$2,500,000 divided into 500,000 shares of a par value of \$5 each. The capital stock has since been increased to \$2,000,000 with 600,000 shares. Of this number of shares 500,000 have been issued and 100,000 remain in the treasury. In October, 1902, George E. Wiltse succeeded to the office of secretary-treasurer, and three years ago S. W. Gebo was replaced by G. H. Broome as general manager. In September of that year Mr. Broome resigned, and

was succeeded by Capt. F. A. Hill.

The development of the mine progressed steadily and rapidly, encountering of course, the usual drawbacks incident to the institution of any new and big industry, until during the early months of 1903 an output of 1,000 tons a day on the average was being maintained. Then came the great disaster, the slide, which carried away the entire operating plant and buried the mouth of

THE CROW'S NEST PASS ILLUSTRATED

the mine entry beneath countless tons of rock; a disaster so devastating and disheartening that it would have put an ordinary concern completely out of business. Rocks continued to roll down the mountain daily, indeed almost constantly, for days after the slide, making it extremely hazardous to attempt to reopen the mine for some time, yet the hazard was taken, and exactly 30 days from the date of the slide, an entrance to the workings was effected. Then, with characteristic pluck the company set about making a mine again.

Fully two months were consumed in cleaning up the tunnel and installing the necessary plant to resume operations. Fortunately the mine was not injured to any great extent by the slide, and by the time the temporary arrangements for loading had been completed the mine was ready to resume an output, although a greatly diminished one. The mine continued working with numerous interruptions from various causes, not serious but exasperating, and gradually gained on its output throughout 1904 and until April 22, 1905, when from some inexplicable cause a fire was started in the workings. That gave the company another setback, disheartening and discouraging in the extreme. That portion of the mine affected had to be closed by stoppings for some weeks. In June the stoppings were removed in the belief that the fire had been smothered; but it was found to be still burning and the stoppings had to be replaced. The effected portion of the mine was kept closed for four months thereafter. When the stoppings were again removed in December the fire was extinct. That a mine should pass so many vicissitudes and yet have suffered no material damage, will doubtless seem strange, yet such is this case. Eminent experts who have examined the workings declare the mine has not been injured in any important respect and express the opinion that it will yet prove one of the extraordinary mines of the country. The property of the company consists of four miles of coal lands on the strike of the seams,

the townsite of Frank and the immensely valuable mineral springs where the Sanitarium hotel is situated.

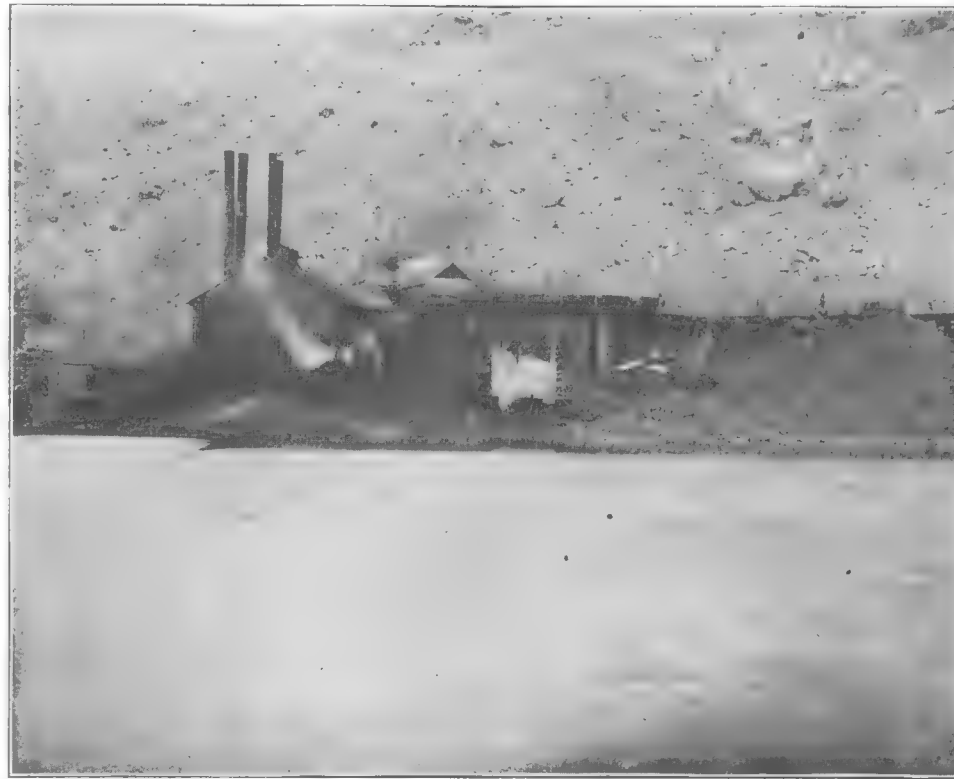
The main seam being worked averages about fourteen feet in thickness and is exceedingly clean. It is what is known as a vertical seam, as it stands at an angle of 87 degrees or only three degrees from the perpendicular. It is a seam singularly free from gas and especially easy to ventilate. It has a northwest and southeast strike and extends along the side of Turtle mountain.

The mine is equipped with a fan having a capacity of 150,000 cubic feet of air a minute and rope haulage.

During 1905 a complete new handling plant was installed paid for out of net earnings, at an expense of upwards of \$60,000. The new tippie has a handling capacity of 1500 tons on a one shift day of ten hours. It is equipped with a picking table, screens, an Ottumwa box car loader and track scales, and has a storage capacity of 2,000 tons. The plant is of the most modern design and is most economically operated.

In addition to the new handling plant the company has housed its larry tracks, built a new wash house for the men having accommodations for 250 men, heated by steam and provided with lockers; has built a new boiler house at the mine and a new stable with accommodation for forty horses.

In the mine like preparation for the future has been going on. Since the advent of S. M. Moore who succeeded to the office of general manager in the latter part of 1906, the mine has been put into the best condition it has ever known. The workings, manways, etc., have all been rendered as safe as underground workings can be made while a great amount of development has been done. A country rock tunnel has been driven from the main entry something over 200 feet to tap the seams to the west. The most westerly one, a ten foot seam has been cut and drifting on the coal is now going on. The



MINE ENTRY

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crosscut was driven from a point of 5,000 feet in and consequently the drifting on the coal of the new seam is being prosecuted in both directions. Each of the new headings is in a little over 200 feet at the present time and the breaking of rooms is soon to be inaugurated. It will therefore be seen that practically a new mine has been opened which alone, will within a few months double the company's output. In addition a slope is being sunk from the main entry which is now down 250 feet and when this is ready for room breaking another immense increase in output will have been attained. The slope at the face is now in twenty-four feet of absolutely clean coal.



INTERIOR OF NEW WASH HOUSE

The program for the future is even more comprehensive. General manager Moore has plans which when realized, will make the mine of the Canadian-American company one of the greatest in the country. And the materialization of these plans have already been set on foot. One of them, or one phrase of them is to drive an entire new haulage. This has already been started. It is being driven on a four foot seam a few yards to the west of the present haulage way. It has been opened from the surface and is now in about fifty feet. It is the intention of Mr. Moore to crosscut from the main entry to the four foot seam at intervals of about 1000 feet and when the seam is cut, to drive both ways on it from each crosscut. By so doing it is figured that the new haulage way will be completed and in operation long before the expiration of the coming year. When this has been accomplished the

mine will to all intents and purposes be an entirely new one, with an output of more than 1000 tons from absolutely new workings from which not a pound of coal has hitherto been taken while the output from the old workings, or the present workings, will be more than doubled by reason of the fact that when the new haulage way is in use, something like two or three million tons of coal, broken and ready to draw which lies over the present main entry but which cannot be drawn in safety so long as the entry is required for haulage or an escape way, will be available. When this vast storage of coal is made it will be drawn and put on the cars at a cost so small as to be almost unbelievable



MACHINE SHOPS AND STORES

to the average mind.

Altogether it is possible to paint the future of the mine in tints of rosiest hue without in any degree drawing upon the imagination.

Outside the mine, the future holds plans of equally weighty import. It is the intention of the company to build a battery of 240 coke ovens. This step has been decided upon and the question as to whether the ovens will be of the beehive or Belgian variety only remains to be decided. In connection with the plans for coke ovens, the company intends building a washing plant of 1000 tons a day capacity, the plant to be ready for operation when the ovens are completed.

The company also intends putting in a compressed air haulage system to

Business Men of Pincher Creek

T. Lebel is one of the pioneers. His was the second store at the Creek. Now it is the finest in Southern Alberta. Mr. Lebel's success is due to his untiring energy, his square dealing and his faculty for inspiring loyalty in his staff. He is the pioneer in building up trade in farm produce with The Pass.

Scott Bros., T. H. and J. J. came west in the eighties. The Scott Block covers more ground than any other in the city. Their machine shops are the finest west of Winnipeg and their stock of vehicles and furniture is immense. J. J. Scott has just been re-elected Mayor of Pincher Creek.

John Henderson has, in the King Edward Hotel, a hostelry second to none in the west. He knows how to make the traveling public comfortable and the verdict of that public is that he does. John is an old timer in the place and has seen it grow from a few scattered shacks to a thriving city.

T. C. Pickard, manager of the P.C. Mill & Elevator Co., gained his experience in the Dakotas and Minnesota. He declares Alberta Red Wheat to be the best flouring wheat he ever milled and his opinion is backed by the huge orders received by the company for their product.

Ald. J. E. Shoultz is a young man and a hustler. He sees the future as few of the old timers do, and is quick to take advantage of it. As Alderman, Vice-President of the Alta. C. O. & W. Ry. Co., promoter of the Pincher Creek Brick Co., and proprietor of two hotels and a large wholesale liquor business, his influence is strong in the city.

Lynch Bros. operate the largest livery barn in Alberta. They have ac-

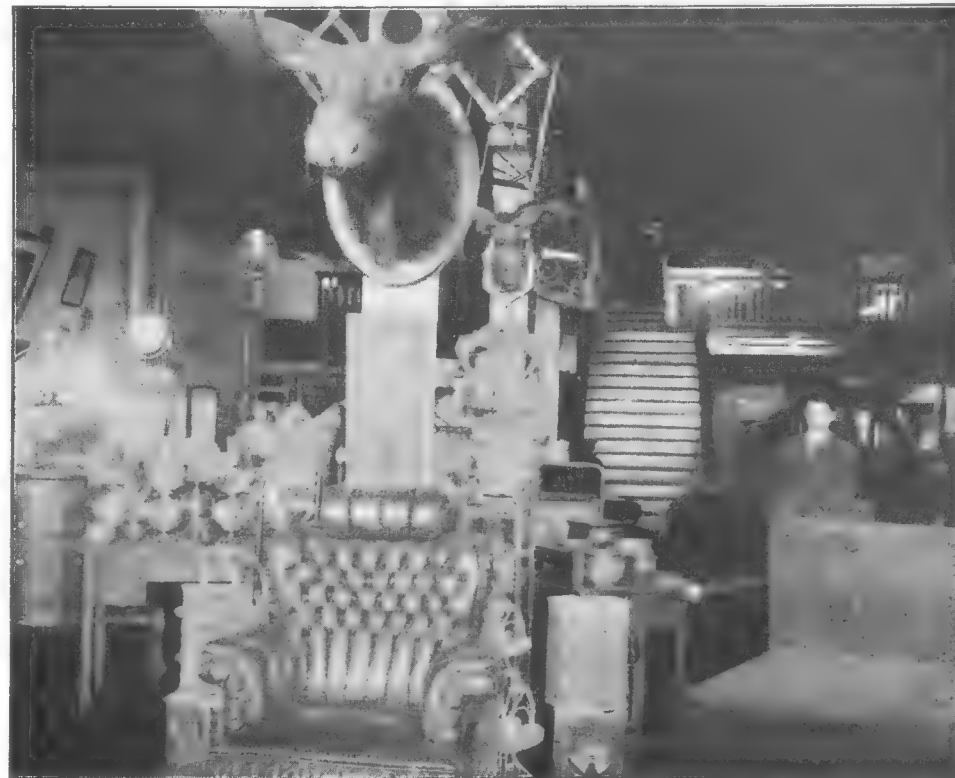
commodation for more than one hundred head of horses. Lynch Bros. grew up with the city and are entirely satisfied with its progress, which has been their own.

F. A. Ludke started on a stock valued at about \$200 less than five years ago. To-day, in a commodious store in the Scott Block, Ludke Bros' fine general store contains a stock worth over \$10,000. Their success is but typical of the growth of the city during that time.

Mrs. S. M. Hinton is recognized as one of the best business people west of Winnipeg. Her store is headquarters for fruits, confectionery and smokers' supplies and her stock is one of the largest and most complete in Alberta in these lines. Mrs. Hinton's store has attained its popularity through the personality of the proprietress.

Braniff & Harwood are extensive real estate dealers and jobbers in farm produce. Their list of farm lands is most extensive and, being practical farmers themselves, they are in a position to give reliable information. Letters of enquiry addressed to them at Pincher Creek, Alta., will bring prompt replies.

The Arlington Hotel is known to the traveling public as a home. E. J. Mitchell and W. R. Dobbie are proprietors. Mr. Dobbie, who has been west of the Red River for 27 years, located in Pincher Creek 21 years ago. For two years he was foreman for P. McLaren. In '94 the partners took charge of the Arlington and have retained it since. Their big livery business is eleven years old and for seven years Mr. Dobbie has cultivated the big Dobbie ranch of 2,200 acres.



A Corner in Scott Bros. Store.

Messrs. Cook & McKerricher are successors to J. H. Schofield, the pioneer merchant of the town. The business has more than kept pace with the progress of Pincher Creek. They took over the business 18 months ago and their fine new departmental store is one of the big commercial institutions of the town.

The Alberta hotel, Collins and Shoultz, Props., is the farmers' and

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replace the rope and horse haulage now in use and work in this connection will begin as soon as spring opens, while an electric lighting plant for lighting the company's works and mine is also in contemplation.

Another phase of the company's plans already passed upon and definitely decided, is to build in the spring, a new hotel at the sulphur springs which the company owns at the western edge of the village of Frank, to replace the Sanitarium at present in use. The building is to be large and thoroughly up to date.

The company has 44 handsome miners' cottages and 34 less pretentious for its men, a palatial general manager's residence and a large boarding house,

now under lease and known as the Miners' hotel. It also owns the water system of the town.

Dealing in statistics the output of the mine of the Canadian-American company for the past year was 134,626 tons. The present average daily output is 750 tons. It is confidently expected that this will be more than doubled within eight months. The number of men employed at present is 350.

The present officers of the company are: president, H. L. Frank, vice president, J. F. Silverman; secretary treasurer, G. C. Rochfort; general manager, S. M. Moore; additional directors, H. L. Silverman and A. E. Spriggs.



SCHOOL AND CHURCH, FRANK, ALTA



A. V. LANG'S CASH STORE, FRANK, ALTA.



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ranchers' hotel of Pincher Creek. Here, the visitor to the city finds home comforts and every attention. Mr. Collins, the manager; is an hotel man of long experience; and the Alberta is famed for its hospitality throughout the district.

The Pincher Creek Land & Development Co. handle farm lands throughout Southern Alberta. Their business extends from Lethbridge to the mountains and those who have had dealings with the Co, know the firm as thoroughly reliable and well posted. F. W. Foster is president, E. R. Olmstead, secretary.

J. W. Breckenridge is proprietor of the only up-to-date jewelry business in town. His stock is large and well assorted and his patrons are sure of expert workmanship in the repairing department. An optical specialist makes this store his headquarters.



The 41 Market is known by its many branches throughout Southern Alberta and the Pass. Dealing direct from producer to consumer and operating so extensively they control a large trade. Staunton Bros. are proprietors and C. G. Bowker is manager.

Messrs. Fraser and Freebain are both long experienced men in their business which reflects that experience in its prosperity. A. L. Freebairn is an Ayrshire man and now a resident in Pincher Creek eight years, all of which has been spent in business. W. A. Fraser came from Renfrew, Ont. He had experience in Frank, Lille, and Content, Alta., before coming to B. C. The store of the firm, in the Hunter block, is a model.

The Western Meat Co., owned by Baillie Bros., is one of the strongest business concerns of the city. From their own ranch on the North Fork the choicest stock is slaughtered. Their business is growing by leaps and bounds

and they do a big trade with the camps and mines of The Pass. A new branch has just been opened at Hosmer, B.C.

J. E. Upton's fine store in the Scott Block is one of the boasts of the town. J. E. is a tailor himself of ripe experience and in both custom tailoring and ready made his patrons are assured of the best. His turnover averages \$20,000 annually. As leader of the city band, he has made that organization famous.



J. E. DAVIDSON & CO'S. STORE, COWLEY





PINCHER CREEK



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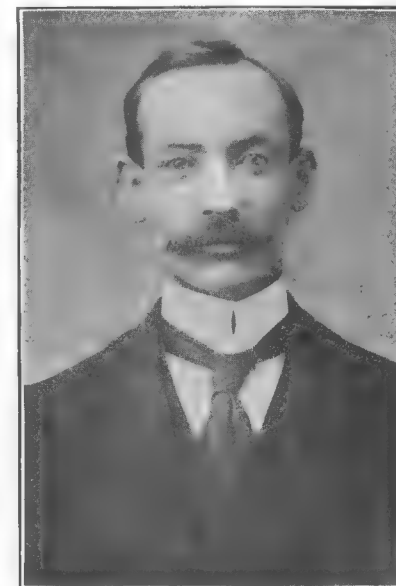
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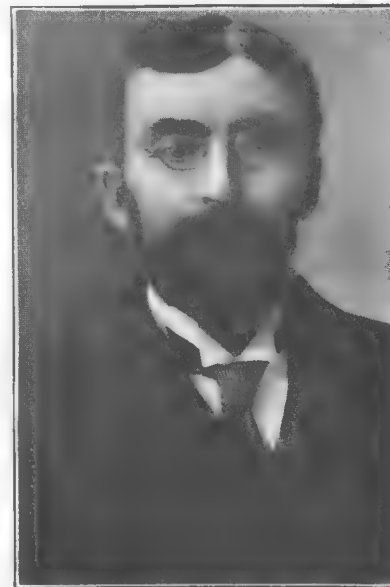
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Alex. Lynch.



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THE EVOLUTION OF SCOTT BROS. PREMISES

The Town of Pincher Creek

THE town of Pincher Creek is today the hub of the agricultural industry of Southwestern Alberta as it formerly was of the great cattle industry. It is the oldest community in the district, and, since the advent of the farmer has probably made greater strides than any of the sister towns. Pincher Creek is situated just off the line of the Crow's Nest branch of the C. P. R. railway, nestling cosily in the pleasant valley of Pincher Creek. The creek divides the town.

To the traveler coming to the town for the first time the only conspicuous object on the level landscape is the big plant of the Pincher Creek Mill and Elevator Co., but a few moments afterward when he arrives at the brow of the slope from the "river" he sees, spread out beneath him a fair city of cosy homes and huge business blocks, the smoke of innumerable chimneys; he hears the hum of industry of a busy community and sees winding away to the west and to the east, the silvery stream of Pincher Creek, willow fringed, cleaving a broad valley through the plain.

As he drives down into the city across the handsome new steel bridge, up the well graded main street, through the busy traffic and past handsome business blocks he is impressed with the signs of activity and material prosperity that everywhere confronts him. He puts up at a modern first class hotel, where are available all the conveniences of a large city and finds, on acquaint-

ance, that the people of Pincher Creek are hospitable and progressive as they are prosperous and that they are as loyal to their town as they have been successful.



PINCHER CREEK FOOTBALL TEAM

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Pincher Creek is an organized town of more than 1,000 inhabitants. The present council is composed of the following named gentlemen: Mayor J. J. Scott, and Aldermen T. Lebel, J. E. Shoultz, E. J. Milchell, P. Bertles, R. Cooper and A. Dempster. On an assessment of half a million dollars the rate is 15 mills. An energetic board of trade directs its attention to the commercial needs of the city. A Retail Merchant's Association is organized for the purposes implied in its name.

The fire department is equipped with a chemical engine and two hose



THE OLD BRIDGE

reels. A pressure of 60 pounds is furnished by the Municipal Water and Light Co., Pincher Creek has never had a case of typhoid

The Pincher Creek Agricultural Society holds an annual fall fair. The Turf Association looks after the sporting events.

There are five churches in the city, the Catholic, Presbyterian, Baptist, English, and Methodist. A public school of three divisions and a convent look after the young idea.

Pincher Creek has a fine city band under the leadership of J. E. Upton and the 16 piece orchestra conducted by W. J. Jackson is famous.

There are in the town two banks and three fine hotels. The Memorial



T. LEBEL & CO'S. STORE

hospital, erected to the memory of the heroes of Pincher Creek who fell in the South African war, is a model.

Pincher Creek boasts of one of the finest flour mills in the west, that of the Pincher Creek Mill & Elevator Co., and of the best machine shop-Scott Bro's.-west of Winnipeg.

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The city has telegraph and long distance telephone connections and will shortly have a railway line running right through the city. The Alberta Oil, Coal and Wheat Railway Co., of which J. Hylands is president, and J. E. Shoultz, vice-president, has secured a charter for a line from Oil City to Pincher Station, has already completed a survey and will commence construction in the spring.

In athletics Pincher Creek has distinguished herself in polo, hockey, football and baseball. The quadrille club, a very popular institution gives regular dances. The Masonic order, the Odd Fellows and Foresters have lodges in the town.

The city has a bright future ahead as its future is bound up in the destiny of the finest agricultural territory in the west.

Southern Alberta, so what is better known as the Pincher Creek district, is the district par excellence of the west for the investor. Its advantages are just commencing to be known. For years the district was slandered by the cattlemen in order to preserve the ranges from the encroachments of the farmer. Today this territory is acknowledged to be the best agricultural district of Canada, if not of the entire world.

What other district can boast an average crop of forty bushels of wheat per acre for twenty years? What other district can boast a regular crop of 100 bushels of oats per acre? Where else can a crop of three tons of timothy hay per acre find a ready market at from \$16 to \$20 per ton?

The soil is a rich black loam. There is an average rainfall of 29 inches, the greatest of any place in Alberta or Saskatchewan. No irrigation is required. The climate is perfect, stock wintering out doors all winter in perfect comfort.

The market is in the mining and lumbering towns of the Pass. This market is steadily growing. Pincher Creek is next door to the Pass and on direct lines of transportation. What more could you have? The farmer who invests in Pincher Creek farm lands may be independent in from two to three years.

Look at these figures. Unimproved land within easy hauling of the railway costs from \$10 to \$18 per acre. Improved land from \$18 to \$30. Seeding commences in the middle of March. Ploughing can be done till December. It costs approximately \$13 per acre to harvest a crop the first year. It will produce 40 bushels of Alberta Red wheat, the finest winter wheat known. At 60 cents per bushel, an unusually low price, this will return \$11 per acre, or more than half the first cost of the land. Let the farmer who is looking for a location prove these statements.

Barley has been known to harvest 82 bushels per acre. Enormous crops of vegetables are grown. Butter brings from 30 to 45c per pound, according to season, eggs from 25 to 60c. Meats and poultry demand fancy prices.

Less than 10 per cent. of the land is yet cultivated. Where is there an equal opportunity for investment?

The country is underlaid with coal of the finest quality. Ten small mines are opened up and developing rapidly. There is no limit to the possible output. Oil is known to be present in the formation to the south and boring is now being done for natural gas near the town.

Of this magnificent district Pincher Creek is the business centre and coming metropolis.



PINCHER CREEK FIRE BRIGADE





Old Barracks, Pincher Creek.



T. Lebel's Old Store.



HARVESTING SCENES NEAR PINCHER CREEK.



SUNDAY ON THE
HOMESTEAD



FIRST BUILDING ERRECTED
IN THE PASS



SULPHUR SPRINGS AT BLAIRMORE SANTARIUM.



WINTER WHEAT IN SOUTHWESTERN ALBERTA.

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Twenty Years Ago in Pincher Creek.



FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL IN PINCHER CREEK,



THE FIRST BLACKSMITH SHOP



OLD HUDSONS' BAY STORES



ARRIVAL OF MACLEOD STAGE

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The Town of Cowley

THE village of Cowley, situated in the foothills of the Rockies, is the dividing point between the great food producing plains on the east and the unlimited and ever expanding markets of the mining and lumbering districts of British Columbia.

Situated as it is, on the direct line of the C. P. R. in a district having the continued advantages of the finest grazing and agricultural lands particularly adapted to mixed farming and dairying, and in close proximity to the markets of the Pass it may fairly be classed as one of the cities of the future.

Since the year 1899 when there was merely a signboard at the Eighth siding to indicate the stopping place for an occasional train it has developed



"THE GAP" NORTH OF COWLEY

into an organized village having all commercial facilities for handling the business in the surrounding district.

It claims the distinction of having the most westerly grain elevator in Southern Alberta and the "Alberta Red" winter wheat passes through on its long journey to the seaboard meeting the consumer. Ten to twenty dollars per acre proclaims the possibilities of the thousands of acres yet un-

touched by the plow.

Mr. J. E. Davidson, a young Nova Scotian struck Cowley in the summer of 1899 and at once perceiving in the future of the district an opportunity which many would then have overlooked, he immediately launched on a mercantile enterprise, erecting the first building on the townsite, which from a small beginning has grown to a village and profitable business.

The general store was followed by a blacksmith shop, hotels, churches, livery and feed stables, grain elevator, a branch of the Union Bank of Canada, and a number of other business houses, ware houses and residences-

A system of up-to-date waterworks has been installed, the supply being derived by gravity from pure springs in the hills a short distance west of the village.

The district is populated chiefly by English Canadians and Americans of a particularly well to do industrious class, lacking entirely the foreign element which predominates in so many parts of Western Canada.

Many of the early English settlers who have followed ranching and acquired large tracts of lands are disposing of their herds and their lands are being brought under cultivation. The passing of the Walrond ranch, one of the oldest and largest institutions of the kind in the Canadian west marks an important stage in the country's history. Their cattle have already been disposed of and their lands which lie twenty miles north of Cowley will soon be occupied by a community of farmers.

The Cowley district has become a favorite one for the sportsman, tourist and healthseeker. The fishing in the Three Forks of the Old Man river having their confluence near the village is of the best. White prairie chickens, and other game is plentiful.

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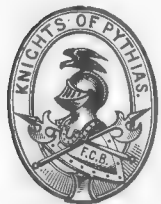
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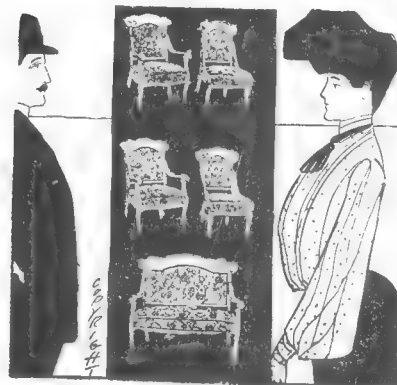
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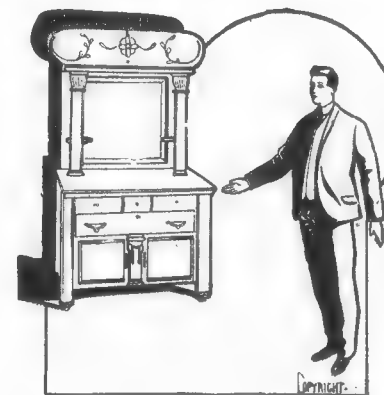
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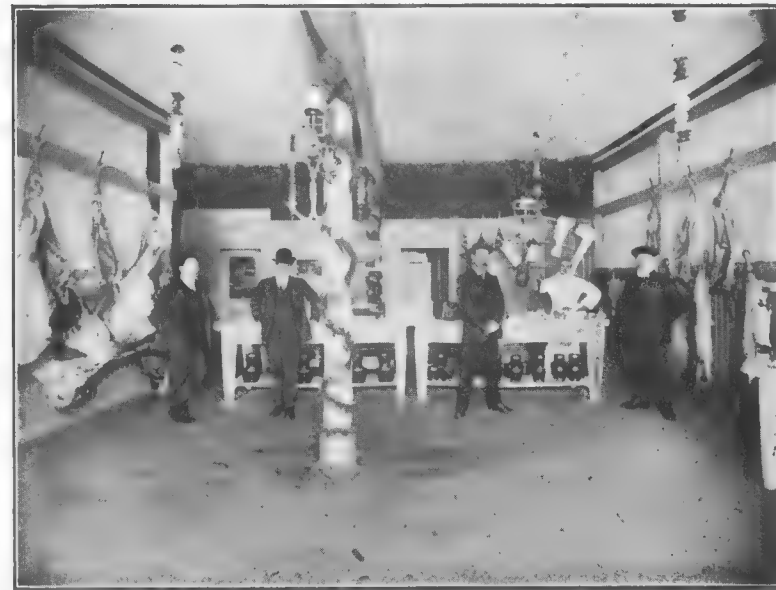
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POTASium CHLORIDE	.19
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